
By: **Delegate Hammen**
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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Maryland Health Insurance Plan - Modification**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of Directors for the Maryland Health
4 Insurance Plan to adjust the premium rate for Plan coverage on the basis of
5 geographic region of the State; and generally relating to the Maryland Health
6 Insurance Plan.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Insurance
9 Section 14-505(b)
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2003 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article - Insurance**

15 14-505.

16 (b) (1) The Board shall establish a premium rate for Plan coverage subject to
17 review and approval by the Commissioner.

18 (2) The premium rate may vary only on the basis of family composition
19 AND GEOGRAPHIC REGION OF THE STATE.

20 (3) If the Board determines that a standard risk rate would create
21 market dislocation, the Board may adjust the premium rate based on member age.

22 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
23 June 1, 2004.